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House Resolution 316

By: Representative Epps of the 128th

## **A RESOLUTION**

- 1 Recognizing and commending Ms. Laurie Lewis; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Ms. Laurie Lewis is a wonderful single parent, a successful businesswoman,
- 3 and an inspiration to Georgians everywhere; and
- 4 WHEREAS, she is known for her vibrant charisma and her uncanny ability to put other at
- 5 ease; and
- 6 WHEREAS, with a college double major in political science and sociology and a minor in
- 7 Spanish, she was well equipped when she accepted a position as librarian with the Spanish
- 8 language school, Esquela de las Americas, where she worked until she accepted a job in sales
- 9 with an insurance agency; and
- 10 WHEREAS, when she moved back to her beloved Manchester, Georgia, she began her career
- in advertising with Trib Publications, and after three years she accepted a position with Cable
- 12 Time Advertising, Inc., where she mastered television sales, but she was drawn back to the
- 13 print medium and eventually accepted her current position as advertising director with
- 14 Star-Mercury Publishing, Inc.; and
- WHEREAS, she has realized great success, as under her direction the five newspapers
- published by the company have increased their advertising each year she has been in charge;
- 17 and
- WHEREAS, the key to her success, she says is her philosophy of "treating your customers
- 19 with the same respect and appreciation you would give to someone paying your bills,
- because in reality, that is what advertising does for the newspaper"; and
- 21 WHEREAS, a single parent, she reserves ample time for her son, Bill Batten, and the two
- share a great love of baseball; and

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1 WHEREAS, although her life has gone through a number of twists and turns, she has

- 2 overcome the obstacles that stood in her way, and has never failed to lend her strength,
- 3 confidence, and laughter to whoever may cross her path; and
- 4 WHEREAS, she has brought honor to her family, community, and the State of Georgia.
- 5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 6 the members of this body recognize and commend Ms. Laurie Lewis for her brilliant success
- 7 and for her tireless devotion to her family and community and extend to her their sincerest
- 8 best wishes on her future.
- 9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Ms. Laurie Lewis.